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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability mailed August 27, 2003, the Applicants submit the following Remarks. The Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. Please credit any overpayment to the same deposit account.

Kindly consider the following Remarks.

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